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SUBJECT: ICAO - BELGIAN PROPOSAL TO ENLARGE COUNCIL

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1. BELGIAN EMBASSY HAS DELIVERED AIDE MEMOIRE TO DEPARTMENT, REQUESTING SUPPORT OF US GOVERNMENT AT SEPT-OCT ASSEMBLY FOR BELGIAN CANDIDACY FOR REELECTION TO ICAO COUNCIL IN SECOND CATEGORY, CITING TECHNICAL SERVICES AND FACILITIES THAT BELGIUM CAN SUPPLY TO INTERNATIONAL AIR NAVIGATION. DEPTOFFS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR EARLY NOTIFICATION OF BELGIAN CANDIDACY WHICH WILL BE HELPFUL TO US IN DEVELOPING POSITIONS ON ICAO COUNCIL ELECTION QUESTIONS.

2. IN POSSIBLY RELATED MOVE TO SAFEGUARD CONTINUED BELGIAN PRESENCE ON COUNCIL BELGIAN PERMREP ON ICAO COUNCIL (PIRSON)

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HAS APPROACHED OTHER REPS ON COUNCIL WITH TENTATIVE

SUGGESTION TO ENLARGE COUNCIL FROM 30 TO 36 MEMBERS. ONLY THIS YEAR COUNCIL ENLARGEMENT FROM 27 TO 30 MEMBERS CAME INTO EFFECT, AND IN US VIEW PRESENT SCALE OF COUNCIL, WHICH IS IN PERMANENT SESSION, IS MAXIMUM SIZE WHICH CAN BE JUSTIFIED EITHER POLITICALLY OR FOR EFFECTIVENESS IN EXERCISING COUNCIL'S EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS.

3. WHILE WE SHARE CONCERN BELGIUM AND REPS OF MOST OTHER DEVELOPED STATES HAVE EXPRESSED ABOUT SENEGALESE PROPOSAL TO REVISE ELECTIONS TO ICAO COUNCIL (REFTEL), WE WOULD DISAGREE THAT FURTHER EXPANSION BELGIAN REP HAS SUGGESTED WOULD BE EITHER PRUDENT OR CONSTRUCTIVE COUNTER TO THIS MISCHIEVOUS SENEGALESE PROPOSAL. FYI US REP ON COUNCIL REPORTS BELGIAN REP HAS ELICITED LITTLE OR NO POSITIVE RESPONSE FOR EXPANSION IDEA. END FYI

4. REQUEST EMBASSY EXPLORE VIEWS OF BELGIAN AUTHORITIES TO DETERMINE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH EXPANSION IDEA BEING ADVANCED, AND IMPRESS ON THEM STRONGLY NEGATIVE VIEW US TAKES OF IDEA FOR REASONS SET OUT ABOVE. SHOULD BELGIAN AUTHORITIES INQUIRE INTO PROSPECT OF US SUPPORT FOR BELGIAN CANDIDACY, EMBASSY SHOULD RESPOND ALONG LINES OF DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE GIVEN PARA 1. RUSH

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